

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A connector comprising a connector body and a reinforcing member, said connector body comprising an elongated conductive contact, an insulator holding said contact, and a shell surrounding said insulator, said shell having a flange formed with a ~~screw hole~~ boss portion for fixing the connector to an attaching object to be fixed, said connector being used for mounting a substrate, wherein said reinforcing member comprises comprising a reinforcing portion provided between said object and the substrate and contacting said flange provided with the ~~screw hole~~ and an engaging portion engaging said shell,

wherein said shell has three faces surrounded by said engaging portion,

a part of said engaging portion opposite to a release surface being elastically deformed to reduce an inner space so as to engage the shell or to increase an inner space so as to release the shell, so that said reinforcing member being is

detachably fitted to said connector body.

Claims 2-5 (Canceled).

Claim 6 (New): A connector comprising a connector body and a reinforcing member, said connector body comprising an elongated conductive contact, an insulator holding said contact, and a shell surrounding said insulator, said shell having a flange formed with a boss portion for fixing the connector to an object to be fixed, said connector being used for mounting a substrate, said reinforcing member comprising a reinforcing portion provided between said object and the substrate and contacting said flange and an engaging portion engaging said shell,

wherein said reinforcing portion includes a hollowed portion which escapes from said boss portion and penetrates in an intersectional direction to a forming direction of the boss portion to be opened on one end of said hollowed portion,

said reinforcing member being detachably fitted to said connector body,

a substrate receiving a stress generated in fixing said

connector to said object is received through said reinforcing member.

Claim 7 (New): The connector as claimed in Claim 6, wherein said shell has three faces surrounded by said engaging portion, a part of said engage portion opposite to a release surface being elastically deformed to reduce an inner space so as to engage the shell or to increase an inner space so as to release the shell.

Claim 8 (New): The connector as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said engaging portion includes a pair of engaging projections.

Claim 9 (New): The connector as claimed in Claim 6, wherein said engaging portion includes a pair of engaging projections.

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to FIGS. 2, 3a, 3b, 4b, 4c and 5. These sheets which depict FIGS. 1-2, FIGS. 3a-3c, FIGS. 4a-4c, and FIGS. 5-6, replace the original sheets depicting FIGS. 1-2, FIGS. 3a-3c, FIGS. 4a-4c and FIGS. 5-6. In FIGS. 2, 3a, 3b, 4b, 4c and 5 reference number 12 and a lead line thereof have been inserted.

Attachment: Four (4) replacement sheets